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SELECTMEN'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

Selectmen's Meeting Mon. 7 p.m.

TOWN CLERK HOURS

Mon.	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tue. & Wed.	8:00 - 10:30 a.m.

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ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1985

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Town Officers
1984 - 1985

TOWN CLERK
Linne O'Brien

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK
Lucy Niles Silva

SELECTMEN
Albert D'Antonio 1 year
Peter Gamester 3 years
John J. McCarthy 2 years (resigned 1/86)
Douglas R. Woodward

TREASURER
John B. Cabana

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
William Priestley (resigned 6/30/85)
Joanne L. Arsenault

DEPUTY COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Linne O'Brien

CHIEF OF POLICE
Richard Henderson

ROAD AGENT
Richard Tabbutt

TOWN HISTORIAN
Cynthia Thomas (resigned 11/85)
Eugene Morrill

HEALTH OFICER
Dr. Wesley Roberts

FIRE CHIEF
Reginald E. Whitehouse (resigned 6/30/85)
Richard H. White

FIRE WARDS
Richard Toomey 1 year
Richard White 3 years

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Edward Stringham
Richard Toomey
Albert D'Antonio, Ex-Officio
Tom Roy
Edmund Arsenault
Norman Dugas

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Ralph Lincoln, 1 year
Ivory Kimball, 3 years
Margaret Riffe, 2 years

TRUSTEE OF CEMETERIES

William Lanham, 2 years
Ivory Kimball, 1 year
Richard Groton, 3 years

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Helen St. John, 2 years
Nancy Boote, 3 years
Martha Tucker, 1 year

MODERATOR

Wilfred H. Hall

SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

Rowena Alessi, 1 year
Gloria Pridham, 5 years
Charles W. Clark, 1 year

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Clinton Springer, 4 years
Michael Riffe, 3 years
Peter Flewelling, 3 years
Reginald E. Whitehouse, 2 years
Elizabeth Gailey, Resigned 3/85
Paul Clark, 1 year

PLANNNG BOARD

Thomas Lambert, 2 years
Etoile Holzaepfel, 3 years
Charles Petlick, 1 year
Howard Crosby, 2 years
Peter Gamester, Ex-Officio
Barton Carr, 1 year

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Raymond Burzynski
Douglas R. Woodward
Barbara Rowland
Marie Tremblay
Albert D'Antonio, Ex-Officio
Carol Lincoln

MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD

Raymond O. Burzynski

MEMBERS OF SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL COMMISSION

Margaret Hartford

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT DISTRICT 18

Elizabeth Greene
Tom Longworth
Douglas R. Woodward
Robert Goss

SENATE DISTRICT 24

Ruth Griffin - Portsmouth

TOWN BUILDING INSPECTOR

William F. Devine

ARCHIVES AND RECORD COMMISSION

Joann Ireland
Deborah Schulte
Anna White
Frederick White
Mary White
Eugene Morrill

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Barbara Becker, 2 years
John McCarthy, Selectmen Member
John Wiswell, School Board Member
Douglas Woodward, 1 year
F. Andrew Schulte, 3 years

RECREATION COMMITTEE

John Wiswell
Phyllis Crosby
Douglas Campbell
Wayne Semprini
Ellen Shea
Margaret Harrington
Ester Roberts

Action on Articles of Town Meeting 1985

Article III. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

PASSED

Article IV. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur temporary loans in anticipation of taxes for the year 1985-86 upon credit of the Town, and to issue its notes therefore in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act.

PASSED

Article V. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and expend monies which become available from other governmental units or private sources during the fiscal year as provided by RSA 31:95b.

PASSED

Article VI. To see if the Town will authorize the withdrawal of five thousand dollars from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as a set-off against budgeted appropriations for the Police Department.

PASSED

Article VII. RSA 80:42 Sale of Tax/Liens Deeded Properties. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer tax liens and convey property acquired by the town by tax collector's deed by public auction (or advertised sealed bid) or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require.

PASSED

Article VIII. To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund for construction or reconstruction of a community building and/or recreational facilities at the Great Island Common and to transfer $50,000.00 from unencumbered surplus to be placed in this fund.

PASSED

Article IX. To raise and appropriate $5,000.00 for architect's fee to design a suitable community building at the Great Island Common.

PASSED

Article X. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the retention of 1984-85 surplus revenue in excess of $40,000.00.

PASSED

Article XI. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Trust Fund for the Bicentennial Park. This fund may be spent in whole or in part for the Bicentennial Park.

TABLED

Article XII. Are you in favor of adopting Amendment 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Building Code?
Section 1. The current issue of the Boca Basic National Code be adopted by the Town.

PASSED BY BALLOT

Article XIII. Are you in favor of adopting Amendment 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Building Code?
Delection of any allowance of wood shingles as roof covering in the Boca Basic National Building code - current edition.

PASSED BY BALLOT

Article XIV. No other business was presented.

By act of the legislature of the State of New Hampshire on Feb. 14, 1791 "... one Acre and three Quarters of an Acre of a certain Neck of Land situate in New Castle on Great Island at the entrance of Piscataqua River commonly called fort point .... together with the Fort and Light house thereon be and hereby are ceded to and vested in the United States of America ... Provided never the less .... that if the United States shall at any time neglect to keep lighted and in Repair said Light House the cession aforesaid shall in that case in utterly void and no effect."

Whales Back Light was first lit on September 16, 1830.

Walback Tower is 58 feet exterior diameter, with walls of 4 feet thickness. Its height varies from 11 feet to 16 feet. In its center was a piece of masonry 7 feet thick which sustained a platform of timber and planks above. On the platform was a earthen parapet, behind which a gun traversed upon a center pivot. The parapet was 46 feet, 9 inches above low water. The tower contained a small power magazine and 4 embrasurers for guns.

Selectman's Annual Letter

We are pleased to report to the citizens of the town a brief outline of those transactions and changes that may be of interest to you:

Additional shore line protection at Great Island Common along with additional parking spaces has been completed. Funding in part for these improvements were from a grant from the State of New Hampshire, Office of State Planning.

In keeping with our long range plan "to survey and record all town streets, roads, and ROW's." We have had Atkinson Street and Piscataqua Street surveyed. They were completed this past winter and copies of the prints may be reviewed at the Selectmen's office prior to the official recording.

The resignation of John McCarthy, due to the extreme demands of a first year law student, left a void that was hard to fill. The acceptance by Douglas Woodward to serve during this interim period helped fill that void and was greatly appreciated. Thank you Doug!

1985 was the year that our longtime and well respected Fire Chief chose to retire from that post. Reggie Whitehouse administered his position as New Castle's Fire Chief in a professional manner. Through his leadership he helped build our Fire Department to its current position as one of the best Volunteer Fire Departments in the area.

The appointment of Richard White to the position of New Castle's Fire Chief is well deserved. Chief White brings to his new post the same dedication and professionalism to insure continuity of goals and that is to make our Fire Department one of the finest.

We were saddened by the recent passing of John B. Cabana, our longtime Town Treasurer. John served the town well and is missed by all who worked with him.

Our thanks goes out again to George Pitts for that new sign at the entrance to Great Island Common. Thank you George!

As you will note our tax rate has been stable during the past few yeas and continues to be so. The cooperation of all our Town Department heads has made this possible. The continued dedicated efforts of our Budget Committee under the leadership of their chairman, both past and present, have greatly contributed to make our town enjoy its current position.

We take this opportunity to thank all those who serve, both past and present, on the many Boards of our town government. We encourage participation by those willing to serve.

At the time of this writing the Wentworth Hotel complex is in the process of changing ownership. We trust that the new owners, in cooperation with town officials, will bring the "Wentworth Project" to a harmonious conclusion.

Sincerely,
Albert D'Antonio
Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

Town of New Castle
Elected Officials and Salaries

Position	Annual Salary
Selectmen, Chairman	$1,400
Selectmen (2)	1,300
Town Clerk	1,200 & Fees
Treasurer	1,100
Collector of Taxes	1,600
Road Agent	100
Cemetery Trustee (3)	75
Moderator	50 per election
Library Trustee	Unpaid
Supervisor of Checklist	75 & $30 per election
Trustee of Trust Funds	75
Trustee of Trust Fund Bookkeeper	200
Budget Committee	Unpaid

There are many others who participate in Town Government on an unpaid basis and this service is very valuable to the sucess of our Town affairs. These individuals deserve the whole hearted thanks of the community for their civic involvement.

Whales Back Light was erected and fitted at a cost of $7,732.79.

There were 67 guns of different calibre in the form and batteries at Fort William and Mary in 1757.

The first New Castle lighthouse was located on the inner point, up river about 200 feet from the present light. Its light came from several wicks suspended in a 4 inch deep circular pan.

Town of New Castle
Appointed Officials and Salaries
July 1, 1985

Deputy Town Clerk	$600 per year & Fees
Deputy Collector of Taxes	unpaid
Town Historian	$200 per year
Health Officer	$50 per year
Fire Chief	$350 per year
Assistant Chief	$250 per year
Captain	$150 per year
Lt.	$125 per year
Training Officer	$150 per year
Fireman	$100 per year
Recreation Commission	unpaid
Conservation Commission	unpaid
Mosquito Control Board	unpaid
Board of Adjustment	unpaid
Planning Board	unpaid
Public Works Commissioners	unpaid
Members of Southeastern Regional Commission	unpaid
Archives and Record Commission	unpaid
Ballot Clerk	$30 per election
Animal Control Officer	$50 per month

In 1865 the keeper of Fort Point Light was John Henry Conrad Campbell, born in Norfolk, Va., of Scottish parents. He enlisted as a drummer during the Mexican War and was stationed at Fort William and Mary when his enlistment expired at age 22. Later he was appointed lightkeeper. His house was a Cape Cod type located at the base of Walback Tower.

A petition for the erection of a lighthouse at some suitable place near the mouth of the Piscataqua was reach to the provincial assembly 14 June, 1765.

Other Non-Taxable Property

Town Hall, Lands & Building	$229,400
Furniture and Equipment	4,800
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	141,500
Furniture and Equipment	7,500
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	-0-
Equipment	8,000
Parking Meters	-0-
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	110,600
Equipment	170,350
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	-0-
Equipment	12,000
Materials and Supplies	5,500
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	575,700
Water Supply Facilities, if owned by Town	381,067
Electric Light Plant, if owned by Town	-0-
Sewer Plant & Facilities, if owned by Town	
Pump stas & lines	1,398,415
Schools, Lands and Buildings, Equipment	370,400
Airports, if owned by Town	-0-
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	-0-
Riverside, Prescott & Frost Cemeteries	529,500
Town Garage	31,900
Other Town Owned lands	137,700
Town Landings	152,100
TOTAL	3,306,405

In a letter to the Governor of New Hampshire, dated Jan. 7, 1791, John Langdon, Member of Congress, stated his hope that the Light House at new Castle be ceded to the United States; also the point of land where the old fort stood so that a battery might be placed there ". . . to protect our harbour and Commerce at the Expense of the Union. . ."

R. R. Bergeron
Certified Public Accountant

Member
American Institute of
Certified Public Accountants

503 State Street
Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801
603 436-1313

Board of Selectmen
Town of New Castle
New Castle, New Hampshire 03854

I have examined the combined and individual financial statements and account groups of the Town of New Castle, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended June 30, 1985, as listed in the table of contents. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

The financial statements referred to above do not include financial statements for general fixed assets, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles.

In my opinion, except that the omission of the financial statements described and explained in the preceding paragraph results in an incomplete presentation, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Town of New Castle, New Hampshire at June 30, 1985 and the results of its operations and the changes in financial position of its proprietary funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The supplementary data included in the schedules are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but are presented as additional analytical data. The supplementary data have been subjected to the tests and other auditing procedures applied in the examination of the financial statements mentioned above, and in my opinion, are fairly stated when considered in conjunction with the financial statements taken as a whole.

R. R. Bergeron
August 30, 1985

Town Clerk's Report
July 1, 1984 - through June 30, 1985

Cash Receipts

Motor Vehicle Permits (875)		$51,176.00
Dog Licenses (138)		529.00
Filing Fees (9)		9.00
	TOTAL	$51,714.00

Payment to Treasurer

Motor Vehicle Permit receipts		$51,176.00
Dog License receipts		529.00
Filing Fees		9.00
	TOTAL	$51,714.00

Respectfully submitted,
Linne O'Brien, Town Clerk

Town of New Castle, New Hampshire
Trust Funds
Statement of Receipts and Reimbursements
(for the twelve months ended June 30, 1985)

	Principle				Income			
FUNDS	Balance 6/30/84	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance 6/30/84	Balance 6/30/84	Income	Disbursements	Balance 1/30/85
Cemetery Care	$25,624	$ 300		$25,924	$12,964	$3,436	1,073	$15,327
Library	9,509	700		10,209	-0-	925	925	-0-
Great Island Commons	1,375			1,375	1,596	209		1,805
Bicentennial Park Care	823			823	477	99		576
Amazeen Trust	1,504			1,504	-0-	87		87
Total	$38,835	$1,000		$39,835	$15,037	$4,756	$1,998	$17,795

Town of New Castle, New Hampshire
Trust Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1985

ASSETS	
Cash-saving & certificates of deposit	57,630
Total Assets	57,630
FUND BALANCE	
Expendable principle	39,835
Expendable income	17,795
Total Fund Balance	57,630

New Castle Public Library Trustee's Report

It is most gratifying to the Librarian and Trustees of your library to report a marked increase in the circulation of books and number of patrons during the past year. We continue to attempt to maintain and offer a complete and up-to-date selection of books. Any book not available may be requested from the State Library who will try to locate the selection through the statewide network of libraries. Our supply of large print books will not only be maintained but also increased through the generosity of a bequest given in memory of Marian Badger by her family. We also receive a shipment of large print books on loan periodically from the State Library. Talking books and machines for the physically and visually impaired have been on display and may be obtained free of charge for those who qualify. Many new children's books, both easy and juvenile, have been added to our collection. Also available are magazines, paperback books and cassette tapes. It is our desire to meet the interests and needs of all ages and each reader.

"New Castle Book Walk", our summer reading program for children, was very successful. Twenty-tree eligible participants, grades kindergarten through sixth, were awarded small weekly prizes for eight weeks and grand prizes went to the top readers in each age group.

The students of the Maude Trefethen School continue to make their weekly visits on Tuesday afternoons. After the children select their books, Diane Share reads a story to them. We thank the students for decorating our Christmas tree which was kindly donated by Douglas Woodward; it was enjoyed by all.

Nancy Boote was re-elected as Trustee for three years. The resignation of Elizabeth Toomey, Assistant Librarian, was received and accepted with regret. We thank her for her years of service. Our gratitude is extended to Holly Roche and Lora Harris for their volunteer hours. Thank you Gloria Pridham for your many years of service as Treasurer of the Friends of the Library; Anita Lomas has presently accepted that position upon Gloria's resignation.

Various fund raisers, luncheons, teas, book sales and programs were held throughout the year. Many thanks to all who attended, assisted and participated.

Monthly displays on loan by patrons receive great interest. We thank all who have been so generous with their exhibits and encourage others to share their hobbies or collections with us.

Memorial gifts were given in honor of the following: Carolyn Burzynski, Marian Badger, Walter Hayden, Peg Gray and Gladys Barker. We're most grateful to all those who support us so faithfully with contributions during the year.

Physical improvements include a new sign with our hours printed on it, two garden lights beside the front path, an American flag and yellow markings at the foot of the steps designating "No Parking". An electric lawnmower was donated to us this past summer. A bright, adjustable lamp in the large print section has made viewing much easier. We are still in need of an easy chair if anyone wishes to donate one.

Building and lawn maintenance person, Dannie Barrett Jr., has received many compliments on his work. Flowers and trees were nurtured by Esther Roberts, Irene Crosby, Fanny Dale and Helen St. John; thanks to all!!

The latest library news appears monthly in the Rockingham County Gazette. The column, "Between the Covers", is by Librarian Jane E. Barrett.

Library hours are Tuesdays from 1:30 - 7:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Visit us soon - you are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees:
Martha R. Tucker
Nancy Boote
Helen St. John
Librarian:
Jane E. Barrett

Tax Collector's Report
Fiscal year ended June 30, 1985

—— DR. ——

		-----Levies of-----		
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year	**1985**	**1984**	**1983**	**Prior '82**
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes			30.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Sewer Rents				
Taxes Committed to Collector:				
Property Taxes	$467,562.95			
Resident Taxes	5,510.00			
National Bank Stock Taxes	452.64			
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Sewer Rents/Water Rents	472.75			
Added Taxes:				
Property Taxes	69.73			
Resident Taxes	290.00			10.00
Inventory Penalties	248.50			
Overpayments:				
a/c Property Taxes				
a/c Resident Taxes				
Interest Collected on Deliquent Property Taxes:	2,172.56			
Water/Sewer Rents	17.16			
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	45.00		1.00	1.00
TOTAL DEBITS	$476,841.29		$31.00	$11.00

The State of New Hampshire
Town of New Castle
Town Warrant for 1986

Rockingham, SS New Castle

To the Inhabitants of the Town of New Castle, in the County of Rockingham and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Recreation Building in the Great Island Common in said New Castle, on Tuesday, the thirteenth of May, 1986 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. The polls for the election of Town Officers and Ballot Articles will open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and shall not be closed before six o'clock in the afternoon.

ARTICLE II. To hear the reports of agents, officers, committees, boards, and other heretofore chosen and to pass any vote in relation thereto.

ARTICLE III. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur temporary loans in anticipation of taxes for the year 1986-1987 upon credit of the Town, and to issue its notes therefor in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act.

ARTICLE V. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, money from the state, federal or other governmental unit or private source which becomes available during the fiscal year as provided by RSA 31: 95-b.

ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town will authorize the withdrawal of Five Thousand (5,000) dollars from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as a set-off against budgeted appropriations for the Police Department.

ARTICLE VII. RSA 80:42 Sale of Tax/Liens Deeded Properties. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer tax liens and convey property acquired by the town by tax collector's deed by public auction (or advertised sealed bid) or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require.

ACTICLE VIII. To see if the Town will vote pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 31:105 to provide indemnification for Selectmen, Town Employees, Town Officers or Agents from personal loss or expense including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any arising out of any claims demand suit or judgment by reason of negligence or other act resulting in accidental injury to a person was at the time of the accident acting within the scope of his employment or office.

ARTICLE IX. To see if the Town will vote to exclude, in future sales of burial lots in Town Cemeteries, the words "perpetual care" from the bill of sale, or receipt, given to the purchaser by the Cemetery Trustees. The previously used term "perpetual care" would be modernized by a one-time fee referred to more generally as "cemetery maintenance fund" per RSA 31:19-a.

ARTICLE X. To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Capital Equipment and to raise and appropriate $10,000 to be placed in this fund.

(Approved by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE XI. To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for Sanitary Landfill Cleanup and to raise and appropriate $20,000 to be placed in this fund.

(Approved by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE XII. On the petition of James Gordon and ten (10) other legal voters to see if the town will vote to exempt former prisoners of war from have to pay permit registration fee on their automobiles as stated in RSA 261:157a.

ARTICLE XIII. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to enact RSA 231:133-136 relative to the numbering of homes on town roads. This is to enable better response time for emergency vehicles.

ARTICLE XIV. Change all references with respect to "High Water Line" to "Mean High Water Line".

(On the Ballot)

ARTICLE XV. Change paragraph IV, E, 5 to IV, E 5a (numerical change only) and add new paragraph IV, E 5b as follows: "Property below Mean High Water Line cannot be used in computation of density in this district."

(On the Ballot)

ARTICLE XVI. Change Zoning Ordinance so that all references to density shall calculate density on Mean High Water Line.

(On the Ballot)

ARTICLE XVII. Change the first sentence in paragraph IV, D, 8 from "Mobile Homes/Manufacturered Homes, Parks and Sub-Divisions be permitted in the Commercial District provided they meet all regulations in land Sub-Division control regulations." to "Mobile Homes/Manufactured Homes, Parks and Sub-Divisions may be permitted in the Commercial District provided they meet all regulations in land Sub-Division control regulations and Sub-Division control regulations."

(On the Ballot)

ARTICLE XVIII. To transact such business as may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seals this 28th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Six.

New Castle, New Hampshire .....

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the Post Office, being a public place in said Town of New Castle.

Albert D. Antonio, Chairman

Peter Gamester

Douglas R. Woodward

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Albert D. Antonio, Chairman

Peter Gamester

Douglas R. Woodward

Selectmen of New Castle

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION (RSA31:4) GENERAL STATEMENT	Actual Appropriations 1985 (1985-86)	Actual Expenditures 1985 (1985-86)	Selectmen's Budget 1986 (1986-87)	Budget Committee Recommended 1986 (1986-87)	Budget Committee Not Recommended
1 Town Officers Salary	11,000		11,000	11,000	
2 Town Officers Expenses	11,000		12,000	12,000	
3 Election and Registration Expenses	750		1,500	1,500	
4 Cemeteries	4,000		4,000	4,000	
5 General Government Buildings	12,000		14,000	14,000	
6 Reappraisal of Property	2,000		2,000	2,000	
7 Planning and Zoning	1,500		1,200	1,200	
8 Legal Expenses	3,000		5,000	5,000	
9 Advertising and Regional Association					
10 Contingency Fund	5,000		5,000	5,000	
11 Building Inspector (hotel)	20,000		100,000	100,00	
12 Town Employees Salaries	11,600		15,000	14,000	
13 Town Clerk Fees	1,500		1,500	1,500	
14					
PUBLIC SAFETY					
15 Police Department	70,500		83,500	83,500	
16 Fire Department	20,500		27,500	27,500	
17 Civil Defense	100		700	700	
18 Building Inspection	650		650	650	
19 Hydrant Maintenance	1,000		1,000	1,000	
20 Civil Defense Training (PSNH)			20,000	20,000	
21					
22					

HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES					
23 Town Maintenance	31,015		30,000	30,000	
24 General Highway Department Expenses					
25 Street Lighting	8,400		8,400	8,400	
26					
27					
28					
29					
30					
SANITATION					
31 Solid Waste Disposal (Landfill cleanup)	20,000		20,000	20,000	
32 Garbage Removal	19,500		19,500	19,500	
33					
34					
35					
36					
HEALTH					
37 Health Department	4,500		5,000	5,000	
38 Hospitals and Ambulances	1,200		1,200	1,200	
39 Animal Control	750		750	750	
40 Vital Statistics					
41 Mosquito Control	1,260		1,260	1,260	
42					
43					
WELFARE					
44 General Assistance	10,000		10,000	10,000	
45 Old Age Assistance					
46 Aid to the Disabled					
47					
48					

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4) CULTURE AND RECREATION	Actual Appropriations 1985 (1985-86)	Actual Expenditures 1985 (1985-86)	Selectmen's Budget 1986 (1986-87)	Budget Committee Recommended 1986 (1986-87)	Budget Committee Not Recommended
49 Library	7,252		9,000	9,000	
50 Parks and Recreation	17,000		19,000	19,000	
51 Patriotic Purposes					
52 Conservation Commission	600		600	600	
53 Library - Gift Fund	1,000		1,000	1,000	
54 Common Equipment	2,000		2,000	2,000	
55					
56					
DEBT SERVICE					
57 Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	22,300		23,300	23,300	
58 Interest Expense - Long-Term Bonds & Notes	23,360		22,245	22,245	
59 Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	500		500	500	
60 Fiscal Charges on Debt					
61					
62					
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
63 Cemetery Shoreline			15,800	15,800	
64 Recreation Building Design	5,000				
65					
66					

	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT					
67	Payments to Capital Reserve Funds:					
68	Fire Department Equipment				10,000	
69	Landfill Cleanup				20,000	
70	Community Building				25,000	
71						
72						
73						
74						
75						
	MISCELLANEOUS					
76	Municipal Water Department	27,150		31,325	31,325	
77	Municipal Sewer Department	47,100		68,275	68,275	
78	Municipal Electric Department					
79	FICA, Retire & Pension Contributions	11,500		11,500	11,500	
80	Insurance	14,000		20,000	20,000	
81	Workman's Compensation	6,000		8,500	8,500	
82	Archives & Records	350		350	350	
83						
84						
85	**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS**	457,837		635,055	689,055	

Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes (Line 133) 481,240

Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes) 207,815

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, N.H.

BUDGET FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET LAW

SOURCES OF REVENUE TAXES	Estimated Revenues 1985 (1985-86)	Actual Revenues 1985 (1985-86)	Selectmen's Budget 1986 (1986-87)	Estimated Revenues 1986 (1986-87)
86 Resident Taxes	5,510		5,510	5,510
87 National Bank Stock Taxes	400		0	0
88 Yield Taxes				
89 Interest and Penalties on Taxes	1,000		1,000	1,000
90 Inventory Penalties	250		400	400
91				
92				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - State				
93 Shared Revenue - Block Grant	47,800		47,000	40,000
94 Highway Block Grant	7,415		7,300	7,300
95 Railroad Tax				
96 State Aid Water Pollution Projects	15,400		15,000	15,000
97 Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land				
98 Other Reimbursements				
99 Motor Vehicle Funds	700		700	700
100				
101				
102				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - Federal				
103				
104				
105				
106				
107				
LICENSES AND PERMITS				

108	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	45,000		46,000	50,000
109	Dog Licenses	500		500	500
110	Building Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	500		1,000	1,000
111	Building Inspector (Hotel)	20,000		100,000	100,000
112	Town Clerk Fees	1,500		1,500	1,500
113					
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
114	Income from Departments - Recreation	10,000		20,000	20,000
115	Rent of Town Property & Pistol Range	400		1,000	1,000
116	Contra Refunds & Reimbursements	1,000		1,000	1,000
117	Library Gift Fund	1,000		1,000	1,000
118	Office Income	100		100	100
119	Police Dept - Traffic & Assemblies			3,000	3,000
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
120	Interest on Deposits	6,000		6,500	6,500
121	Sale of Town Property				
122	Fines & Forfeits	1,500		2,400	2,400
123	From Trust Funds - cemetery	2,630		2,630	2,630
124	Dog fines	100		100	100
125					
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
126	Proceeds of Bonds and Long-Term Notes				
127	Income from Water and Sewer Departments	74,250		99,600	99,600
128	Withdrawal from Capital Reserve				
129	Revenue Sharing Fund	5,000		5,000	5,000
130	Fund Balance	40,000			95,000
131	Civil Defense Training (PSNH)			20,000	20,000
132					
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	**287,955**		388,240	481,240

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	$466,722.72		
Resident Taxes	5,250.00	10.00	10.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	452.64		
Yield Taxes			
Sewer Rents/Water Rents	472.75		
Land Use Change Taxes			
Interest Collected During Year	2,189.72		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	45.00	1.00	1.00
Inventory Penalties	248.00		
Discounts Allowed:			
Abatements Made During Year:			
Property Taxes	909.96		
Resident Taxes	270.00	20.00	
Yield Taxes			
Sewer Rents			
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:			
(As per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes			
Resident Taxes	280.00		
National Bank Stock Taxes			
Sewer Rents			
TOTAL CREDITS	$476,841.29	$31.00	$11.00

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1985

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	Tax Sales on Account of Levies Of			
	1984	**1983**	**1982**	**Previous Years**
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - Beginning Fiscal Year *		$2,938.42	1,632.16	
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year **	3,818.35		615.14	
Interest Collected After Sale				
Redemption Costs				
TOTAL DEBITS	3,813.35	2,938.42	2,247.30	

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:				
Redemptions			1,632.16	
Interest & Costs After Sale			615.14	
Abatements During Year				
Deeded to Town During Year				
Unredeemed Taxes - End of Fiscal Year	3,818.35	2,938.42		
Unremitted Cash				
TOTAL CREDITS	3,3818.35	2,938.42	2,247.30	

* These sums represent the total of Unredeemed Taxes, as of July 1, 1985 from Tax Sales held in **Previous** Fiscal Years.

** Amount of Tax Sale(s) held during current fiscal year, including total amuont of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale(s).

Town of New Castle, N.H.
Public Library
Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1985

Cash on Hand July 1, 1984:		
NOW Account	$2,137.88	
Savings Account	1,651.19	
Petty Cash	24.03	
Fines remaining	29.37	
Total		$ 3,842.47
Receipts:		
Town appropriation	$7,000.00	
Trust Funds	611.98	
Gifts, Bequests	618.38	
Books Sales	130.00	
NOW interest	110.75	
Savings acct. interest	61.20	
Refund	50.00	
Total		$ 8,582.31
Total Cash and Receipts		**$12,424.78**
Expenditures:		
Salaries (gross)	$3,129.04	
FICA (ER Share)	219.76	
Electricity	163.58	
Telephone	331.96	
Water/Sewer	135.00	
Fuel	467.07	
Books	3,126.74	
Postage, supplies	405.33	
Dues	8.00	
Upkeep	389.80	
Tuition (librarian's course)	120.00	
Petty cash	310.00	
Miscellaneous	141.25	
Transferred to Trustees of Trust fund	700.00	
Total		9,737.53
Balance		**$2,687.25**
Cash on hand June 30, 1985:		
NOW account	$1,620.36	
Savings account	1,012.39	
Petty Cash	40.93	
Fines remaining	13.57	
Total		**$2,687.25**

New Castle Police Department

The year 1985 has been one of new challenges, successes and transition for the New Castle Police Department.

During 1985 Patrolman Doug Cummings successfully completed the NH Standards and Training Council's Police Recruit Academy. This program consisted of ten weeks of intensive training in all areas of law enforcement. (Congratulations Doug!).

Also, during the year, in cooperation with the Fire Department, and Civil Defense Director, we took part in the development of the Seabrook Evacuation Plan for New Castle. After countless hours of planning we all jointly developed a plan to be used not only during a nuclear incident but one which can be implemented in any type of disaster, such as Hurricane Gloria.

This planning came to fruitation when we participated in the Seabrook Evacuation Drill on February 26, 1986. However, as in any plan of this size changes have to be made once is has been tested. We hope that if you have any questions concerning this matter or any ideas on how to improve it that you will contact either the Police Department or the Civil Defense Director.

Finally, we would like to remind anyone who will have a particular transportation need during an emergency that they should contact the Police Department and make us aware of your particular situation. We will keep a confidential file for this information so that we will have the ability to respond immediately in the case of an emergency.

As we approach the new year ahead of us we look forward to what challenges or transitions that are coming.

Ambrose Card, seaman, 27, of New Castle, was appointed keeper of Whales Back Light in 1864.

Animal Control Officers Annual Report

During the year 1985, the town of New Castle licensed one hundred and thirty-three (133) dogs. The following is a breakdown of action taken against offenders from March 1985 to March 1986. Twenty-two (22) violation notices served totaling $305.00 in fines. One (1) letter of abatement was issued and eight (8) written warnings given. In order to avoid deliquent fees and/or a fine you must register your dog before May 1. This can be accomplished very quickly by providing the Town Clerk with a valid rabies certificate along with the required fee for your particular animal.

For the information of new residents in New Castle who are dog owners, we do have a town ordinance in effect that requires all dogs to be on a leash except when under direct control of their owner or keeper upon his or her property. Also, no dogs are allowed on New Castle Beach under any circumstances.

Please continue to direct all animal control phone calls to the Police Department. This not only provides the caller a timely response in the event that I am not available but it ensures a record of your call.

I wish to thank those owners who make my job a little more pleasant by respecting their neighbors property and privacy by abiding by our dog ordinances.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Barrett
Animal Control Officer

"Fort Constitution has within its limits construction work of the Colonial period, work of 1794, work of 1808, repair work of 1808 - 1863, granite of 1863 - 1866 and modern concrete. It is probable that no other fort of the United States can furnish specimens of work of the periods named . . . ." From a report of the Corps of Engineers, U.S.A., 12 May, 1896.

Civil Defense Director
1985 Annual Report

1985-86 has shown many advances towards development of an Emergency Response Plan for the Town of New Castle. Two copies of the Radiological Emergency Plan for Seabrook Station are available for public review in the Public Library. Please note that the plan is currently under review and any constructive critisism to better the plan for the needs of the town is welcome.

The Fire and Police Departments have participated in three planned exercises recently and various deficiencies were noted. Improvements to the plan are currently under review.

Some equipment for the town has been procured through N.H. Yankee and installed in the Fire and Police Departments. This greatly enhances our emergency response capabilities for Seabrook type emergencies.

An offshoot of this planning is the increased ability to handle other type emergencies manmade and/or natural. An example was the recent Hurricane GLORIA which identified various needs in town capabilities.

Future training for Fire and Police Department personnel will be upcoming when the State Civil Defense Agency is able to schedule and/or coordinate training resources.

Submitted,

Edmond R. Souroille
Civil Defense Director, New Castle

The new Revenue Cutter "Scammell", Captain Hopley Yeaton commanding, sailed the 26th August, 1791 .... "having on board a few borrowed small arms & other Military accoutrements.", from a letter to Alexander Hamilton from Jos. Whipple, dated Sept. 9, 1791.

Report of Conservation Commission

The prime duty of this commission is the review of permit applications, dredging, filling, and certain wetland construction. This year the following shore line wetland applications were reviewed and appropriate action taken:

Edmund and Joanne Arsenault for dredging and filling a boat slip arrangement on their property in the Mill Pond Area. It is a minor project.

State of N.H. Bridge Approval
Rail Program-P&S Project 2295-M.

The construction of homes on Lot 15 and 25 as requested by Peter & Phoebe Flewelling.

The Pull N Be Damned Boating Club on Goat Island for a porch extension in the shore area.

The construction of a road along the shore area on Campbell's Island requested by Jeffrey Marple.

The filling for the protection of the Shore Line on the Great Island Common in New Castle and the Riverside Cemetery.

The commission attended and participated in regional meetings and discussions of conservation matters as organized and scheduled by:

1. N.H. Association of Conservation Commission.
2. Wetlands Board of New Hampshire.
3. Department of the Army.
4. Coastal Advisory Commission.

We continue the program for control of poison ivy and sumac in critical areas. Please advise the commission of areas that you consider are not covered adequately.

Nature Trail Markings are still being vandalized; the use of the concrete and pipe fittings have reduced our maintenance and repair work.

Elias Tarlton was paid 40 shillings per month in 1787 for his services as keeper of the Light at New Castle. Another Elias Tarlton of New Castle, a Master Mariner, was appointed keeper of Fort Point Light in 1861. In later years, his son, Elias Tarlton, was keeper of White Island Light.

Annual Report
New Castle Planning Board

March 7, 1986

The New Castle Planning Board has been extremely busy this past year.

General Electric Real Estate Credit Corporation, as agent for the Wentworth-by-the-Sea Corporation, (Pacific Parks) was granted conditional approval for Plan 85 (from Plan 82A) to build condominium units and remodel the Wentworth Hotel. GE then withdrew before the matter could be dealt with by the Planning Board. It is expected the hotel will again be sold and the process may then again be presented to the Board. The patience of the Board continues. The Board seems ready to help whoever wishes to purchase the hotel.

The Board was presented a plan to develop Cambell's Island by Mr. Jeff Marple. The plan was incomplete and must be presented again. To date Mr. Marple has not returned to the Board.

The Board lost Anita Lomas as a member. She was extremely hard working and effective and is missed.

The Planning Board completed and adopted a Town Master Plan.

The Board, as an agent of the Town, must administer the zoning rules. It would be unfair not to say that the Planning Board believes it should administer for the common good of the Town and its residents all matters before the Board.

We shall continue to do our best to represent you. Please let us hear from you.

Tom Lambert, Chairman
New Castle Planning Board

An act was passed by the Governor, Council and Assembly on 12 April, 1771, providing "... that there shall be procured & Kept at his Majesty's Fort William & Mary under the direction of the Commander of Said Fort a Large Suitable Lanthorn to be lighted and raised each night unto the top of the mast that supports the Flag Staff for the benefit of Mariners being on the Coast in the night time." The light on the flag staff was found to be impractical, and a light house was erected the following year (in 1772.)

Board of Adjustment Report

Your Board of Adjustment has been relatively inactive in 1985 in that the Board has received requests for Variance or Exception - the usual few requisitions for a Variance of Section IV Article B-12; i.e. the 10 foot rule.

It would appear however, that the Wentworth situation might heat up in 1986!

Building Inspector's Annual Report
Year ending: December 31, 1985

Building Permits issued:	35
Inspections at site of construction:	50
Number of New Dwellings:	8
Code Enforcement Violations Inspected:	18
Violations corrected:	18

I wish to thank the Selectmen, Town Officials, Boards and residents for their assistance and cooperation extended to this department.

William Francis Devine
Building Inspector
Code Enforcement Officer

Colonel John B. Walback (the German spelling may have been Walbach, but the K is used in official letters) was born in Munster, Germany, October 3, 1766, and died in Baltimore, Maryland, June 10, 1857. At one time he had charge of all coastal defenses from Rhode Island to Eastport. During the summer of 1814 the tower bearing his name was built about 214 yards westward from the fort, at an expense of about $3,500. In May, 1850, he received the Brevet of Brig. Generel. At the time of his residence in New Castle, he had investments in several pieces of real estate, among them the Hopley Yeaton farm, Jerry's Fort (Fort Stark) and about three acres of the present Wentworth Hotel.

Cemetery Trustees Report

The Trustees are happy to report more families are establishing perpetual care trusts. "The law is well established that trusts for the perpetual care of cemeteries and cemetery lots are valid charitable trusts." An on going project is to repair as many of the broken monuments as practical. Much needs to be done to straighten leaning stones. The Trustees working with the town Selectmen, are trying to obtain rip-rap to prevent erosion, on the water side. The care and maintenance of the cemeteries in New Castle is continuous. We sincerely appreciate the concern and assistance of many townspeople in helping to keep the cemeteries looking beautiful.

Respectfully submitted,
William Lanham
Richard W. Groton
Ivory Kimball

Mosquito Control Board

New Castle Mosquito Control is limited to larviciding. In this procedure the insecticide is only applied to water surface where the larva has been found by the dipping process. During the past year we larvicided in the Lavenger Creek, Pit Lane, River Road and Wild Rose Lane Areas.

In 1985 we completed our second year of adult mosquito monitoring. The mosquito trap identified the presence of following genus types; Aedes, Coquillatidia and Culex. In previous years of larvae identification we found only the Aedes Solicitan and Contator species. Many mosquito types can fly several miles so that the mosquito trap does not necessarily indicate that the larval of the trapped adult originated in our local areas.

We made 31 surveys and larvicided on 10 occasions.

In 1986 we are joing forces with the Rye and Portsmouth group for more effective monitoring and control.

Report of the Historian-Archivist

On November 4, 1985, Cynthia Thomas resigned as historian-archivist for the Town of New Castle. She had been appointed to that post shortly after the resignation of Janet Macomber in 1984. Prior to that she had served on the Archives Records Committee for nine years. Her chief interest was town genealogy, and through her efforts a card fine of vital statistics was established. This work has provided us with a valuable resource for genealogical research.

The Archives Committee presented another exhibit on August 14, 1985. This one was devoted mainly to pictures from our growing collection, plus some which were loaned from the private collections of residents. Two rooms in the town hall were used for this event, which was well attended.

I suppose that everyone who becomes an archivist has a different approach to the task, and soon establishes his own set of priorities. For me, the most pressing need at present is the transcribing of selected documents from our fragments file. Many of these documents are the only records we have of early warrants, town meetings, tax lists etc. They are not found elsewhere in bound volumes, and must be considered priceless and irreplaceable. While most of them have been microfilmed, it is highly desirable that they be made available in printed form for the benefit of historical research.

A growing number of people everywhere are becoming interested in ancestor hunting. Old towns such as ours are prime areas for this kind of research. Initial inquiries go to the town clerk, who in her capacity as official custodian of vital records, searches out and provides certified copies of the data requested, if available. Frequently, requests of this sort turn into genealogical research projects. For situations in which the town clerk feels that the information sought goes beyond the scope of her responsibility, a procedure has been established whereby she may refer such inquiries to Deborah Schulte and Joann Ireland, members of the Archives Committee, who will continue the research to the extent that they are able.

We continue to receive contributions in the form of records, books, pictures and other articles from individuals and private sources. Notable among these is the gift of a notebook from the private collection of Kenneth Maxam. It contains copies of selected correspondence concerning Fort Point Light, Fort William & Mary - Fort Constitution and the Coast Guard, from the middle 1700's to the turn of the 20th century, and was compiled by the late Ivan L. Meloon. Many of the letters are addressed to Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the Treasury and were written by Jos. Whipple, who at the time was local collector of customs. Mr. Maxam has also contributed several chapters of a history of New Castle, which he is in the process of writing.

Probably there is no other town in New Hampshire, and few elsewhere, whose historical heritage is richer than that of generations all of the records that have been entrusted to our care, and with them a greater understanding of our role in the evolution of a community and nation.

Eugene W. Morrill
Town Historian-Archivist

The 1985 New Castle Fire Department Town Report

1985 for the New Castle Fire Department has been a very busy year with changes. The Wentworth Hotel project surfaced again this year and the Seabrook Station Emergency Radiological Response Plan has required involvement. There was a change in Fire Chiefs, as well as in other fire officers. The department has it's first female firefighter which is positive and as usual, training has been our number one goal.

The Wentworth Hotel project has required meetings with town officials, developers and engineers. Water supply and fire codes such as the Life Safety Code have been the major topics of discussion.

The Seabrook Station Emergency Radiological Response Plan has required much participation by the fire department. The department supplies a center of operations as well as communications and manpower. During "Hurricane Gloria" this plan was used, except the name was changed to the "New Castle Hurricane Emergency Response Plan". The plan title changed, but the goals and objectives for the part were the same.

The 1986-87 proposed fire department budget shows a substantial increase contributed to firefighter safety and salaries. Firefighter safety has been one of several areas which hasn't taken a back seat. This upcoming year, firefighters bunker pants are intended to become standard issue, thus giving the firefighter better protection on the lower half of the body. The increase in salaries can be broken into two areas. First there is a start to up grade the fire officer's salary to compensate for the ever increasing requirements and responsibilities, which boils down to additional time spent for the fire department. Secondly a training incentive program was established for those who attend day long weekend training schools.

Volunteering for the fire department in this town appears to be slowly passing away. In 1980 all of the department's members lived in town, today only fifty percent live in town. This can be contributed to the high cost of housing! The average volunteer can neither afford a one hundred thousand dollar home or pay a six to nine hundred dollar monthly rent bill. The people who can afford to live in New Castle are the white collar and professional workers. Traditionally, nation wide, white collar workers are not volunteer firefighters. There are exceptions in New Castle, but not enough. Maybe it is time for this town to break tradition? If not, be willing and ready in the future to reach deeper into your pockets.

Looking into the future, as fire department membership slowly tends to move out of town, the problem of response time will surface. Response time is the time between when the fire department is notified of the fire, and the time fire apparatus arrives on a fire scene. Presently the fire department's response time averages five minutes. If all the members were to live out of town, the response time would be ten to twelve minutes, thus allowing time for the fire to grow. This paragraph on response time is no to instill fear in our citizens, but to provoke thought on the membership issue.

Training, as stated in past years, is our number one goal. This past year has provided an interesting challenge by having different levels of training to meet the membership's individual needs. To meet these needs, two members have volunteered to assist the training officer. With these training assistants and extra training on weekends our objectives for training in 1985 were met.

In 1985, Reggie Whitehouse resigned as Fire Chief after fifteen years holding that rank. During that period of time he had taken a two car garage operation and turned it into a well equipped modern fire department. Reggie is still a very active member and his experience is helping the new members to become firefighters. The Town of New Castle is very fortunate to have Reggie Whitehouse and all the members who provide the fire protection service.

1985 Report of Incidents

Arcing/Down Wires	5
Assist Police Dept.	1
Auto Accidents	2
Brush/Grass Fires	1
Chimney Fires	4
Fire Alarm Activations	5
Fire Investigations	2
Furnace Fires	1
Rescue/Evacuation	1
Trees Down	3
Smoke Investigations	3
Mutual Aid to Newington	1
Mutual Aid to Rye	3
Total Alarms	**32**

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. White
Fire Chief

Report of Town Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Between July 1984 and June 1985, we experienced more forest fires throughout our state than in any year in the last 50. Two of the leading causes of the 1,605 fires were children and fires kindled without written permission of a Forest Fire Warden. Both causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help our town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. Contact your Forest Fire Warden for more information.

Enforcement of state timber harvest regulations is the responsibility of State Forestry officials. Our state has excellent timber harvest regulations; however your assistance is needed.

If you know of a logging operation and suspect a state timber harvest law may be violated, call your Forest Fire Warden.

If you own forest land, you will become responsible for the timber tax payment starting April 1, 1986. This is a change in the Timber Tax Law that will impact all forest landowners. Contact your Board of Selelctmen for timber tax forms.

New Hampshire Forest Fire Statistics - 1985

STATEWIDE	
Number of Fires	1,605
Acres Burned	1,508
DISTRICT 5	
Number of Fires	254
Acres Burned	110
TOWN of NEW CASTLE	
Number of Fires	1
Acres Burned	0.06
Burning Permits Issued	31

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred E. Grimes
District Forest Ranger

Richard H. White
Forest Fire Warden

New Castle Public Works Report

The sewer and water distribution and collection systems owned by the Town are the responsibility of your Public Works Commission. We purchase the water essentially on a wholesale basis from Portsmouth. The raw sewage is pumped to the Portsmouth owned treatment plant on Pierce Island and treated there. We are billed by Portsmouth by the gallonage treated plus fixed overhead prorated charges for the treatment plant.

Water System: the town owns and operates approximately 4 miles of waterlines serving 280 metered users. Another 75 households on the oceanside of our island along Wentworth Road, are served directly by the City of Portsmouth from the main entering New Castle near the hotel, terminating at the Coast Guard Station.

Our on-going program of installation of remote meters continued, adding 50 new meters this year. We had no major breaks or replacements this year. We also have been introducing backflow regulations. (where foul water can enter the system from private lines by being drawn into the system when low pressure occurs.)

As 44% of our income is for the purchase of water, and most of the balance is used for operating the system, we are not building up sufficient reserve for future line replacements. It therefore is necessary to raise rates in 1986.

Sewer System: New Castle owns and operates approximately 4 miles of sewer lines and 3 pumping stations serving users, including the Coast Guard Station and the hotel. This system is now 10 years old and the lift stations require extensive maintenance. With these costs plus the fees paid for treatment and operations, we were unable to fully fund our depreciation reserve for major replacement costs in the future, and will be modestly increasing rates this year to cover this shortfall.

With the volunteer help, the services provided by the Fire Department in hydrant maintenance, and line flushing, and the excellent job being done by Dan Barrett in operating and maintaining the systems, we have been able to provide these utilities at minimum costs.

No major capital projects are planned for 1986 and major attention will continue of lift station rehabilitation. We are investigating extension for the sewer line on the north end of Wentworth Road for possible future projects.

For your board: Gene Fisk left this year and we extend our thanks for his efforts over the last 4 years. Tom Roy and Ed Arsenault, both long time New Castle residents, joined our board and their experience is most welcomed. Also joining the board as an alternative is Norman Durgas, a new resident to New Castle. His expertise in land surveying and construction will be helpful and we appreciate his taking an active interest in his new community.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Stringham, Chairman
Richard Toomey
Ed Arsenault
Tom Roy
Norm Dugas
Albert D'Antonio, Ex-Officio

Marriages Recorded in the Town of New Castle
January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985

Name of Groom Name of Bride	Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Residence at Time of Marriage	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother
Scott E. Whitehouse Margaret M. Clifford	January 12, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	New Castle, NH Portsmouth, NH	Reginald E. Whitehouse Marcia Foss John T. Clifford Barbara McLaughlin
Kevin J. Callahan Deborah A. Carrier	April 26, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	New Castle, NH Manchester, NH	John Callahan Virginia Hurley Andre Carrier Helen Fasekis
James J. Gordon Elsie B. Sargent	October 4, 1984	Portsmouth, NH	New Castle, NH New Castle, NH	James A. Gordon Catherine MacDonald Carroll L. Ford Bertha N. Halliday
Jeffrey Martin Lisa D. Pata	September 19, 1985	Farmington, NH	New Castle, NH Greenland, NH	John Martin Ann Parnham Carroll Patat Dorothy Roy
William G. Gebow Debra P. Meyer	December 17, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	New Castle, NH New Castle, NH	William P. Gebow Jean E. Simpson Louis Meyer Evelyn Judd

Deaths Recorded in the Town of New Castle
January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Sex	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother
January 16	Portsmouth, NH	Gladys Barker	95	F	William I. Haywood Jennie Haven Williams
March 2	Portsmouth, NH	Walter C. Hayden	87	M	Walter R. Hayden Grace Ireland
May 18	Portsmouth, NH	Dorothea D. Griffin	72	F	Clarence Drew Stella Grace
May 20	Portsmouth, NH	Raymond Amazeen	83	M	Luther M. Amazeen Mollie Gleavy
June 10	Greenfield, MA	Ruth V. Conrad	79	F	William Vlachos Ruth Mitchel
September 1	Portsmouth, NH	Normal O. Miller	85	M	Otto Miller Lizzie Mae Caswell
September 21	Portsmouth, NH	Kathleen B. Gray	78	F	John Berry Frances Meylert
September 27	Portsmouth, NH	Harlan M. Talbot	84	M	William M. Talbot Inez Maxwell
October 3	New Castle, NH	Marian M. Badger	86	F	Irving Mansfield Ella Carver
December 7	Portsmouth, NH	Margery Hoyt	80	F	Eugene Hoyt Hannah Hayes

Births Recorded in the Town of New Castle
January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985

Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother
Charles Lincoln Allen	M	May 4, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	Robert Bruce Allen Carol Jo Lamereaux
Julie Samuels	F	June 4, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	George Frederick Samuels Joanne Goodman
Jessica May Varner McCormack	F	October 8, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	Thomas Martin McCormack Rebecca Anne Varner
Bryant James Trombly	M	October 25, 1985	Portsmouth, NH	Jeffrey Bryant Trombly Judith Remington Johnston